



Becky Allenbach

Deputy Director, Water Division

After graduating from Jacksonville University in Jacksonville, Florida, Becky began her environmental career at a local pulp and paper mill, before joining the Environmental Protection Agency's Atlanta Regional Office in 1990. Since then, she has held various progressive leadership positions at the Agency in the Air, Water, Personnel Management and Enforcement divisions. She currently serves as Deputy Director of the Water Division in the Region 4 office in Atlanta which includes a vast majority of the industry, sensitive ecosystems and environmental justice areas of the Nation. Becky ensures implementation of the Region's Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) and Clean Water Act (CWA) Programs. Becky also serves as a Policy Board Member for the Sarasota Bay National Estuary Program and as a Shared Neutral Mediator for the Federal Executive Board.

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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

Deputy Director, Water Division November 2017 - Present

EPA Region 4, Atlanta; Water Division
61 Forsyth Street SW, Atlanta, GA 30303
Supervisory Life Scientist, GS 15 Step 10

Deputy Director responsible for operations of a division of 122 staff scientists and engineers responsible for implementation of the Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act. Manage a budget of \$5.47 M in EPM funds; utilize funds to support high priority actions including Florida Assumption & drinking water capacity building. Manage 400 active grants/PPGs (more than ½ of 743 regional grants) with a total funding amount \$2.15 B; including 56 new grant programs. Effectively manage expenditures, ensuring operating fund allocation for the Division. Established budget allocations for the Branches for travel, GF and training as well as monitoring of DI STAG and EPM expenditures. This included travel, training and GF budget of \$424,155. Ensures that funds are obligated and spent expeditiously. Monitors and prepares the Federal Management Financial Integrity Act (FMFIA) mid and EOY reports for the Division and initiates processes to insure checks and balances for division expenditures. Manage division FTE including personnel recruiting as well as personnel issue. Manage Division awards including cash, time off, honor, Federal Executive Board, etc. Manage interactions with other divisions regarding coordination of responsibilities and establishes workplans, MOUs and SOPs as needed. Serves as Division Director in the absence of the Director; provides guidance to subordinate staff. Routinely communicates with state and tribal partners to provide training and guidance. Communicates with HQ and other Regions to insure consistency and provide input to new rules and regulations as well as policy decisions.

Chief, Grants and Drinking Water Protection Branch August 2011 – 2017

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Supervisory Life Scientist, GS 15 Step 10

Led a group of 40 staff responsible for implementation and enforcement of the Safe Drinking Water Act in the 8 Southeastern states of EPA Region 4. This also includes permitting and enforcement of the Underground Injection Control Program and the Source Water Protection Programs. Work with our state partners to ensure positive and appropriate

implementation of the Safe Drinking Water Act. Perform personnel management functions such as reassignments, incentives and awards, disciplinary actions etc. Formulate short and long range plans and goals and establish internal policies and procedures. Consistently meet or exceed all performance goals including ACS commitments and key performance measures. Track and

report on

performance goals according to the agency's strategic plan and National Program Management Guidance.

Manage travel and extramural budgets ensuring fiduciary responsibility for government funds including

the issuance of grants to states and tribes of over \$372,000,000 in FY 2017. Also serve the Region and

Federal Executive Board as a shared neutral and on the Policy Board of the Sarasota Bay Estuary Program. Participate and represent the Region on national workgroups and in National meetings providing input into National directives and decisions. Host training and collaboration meetings with key stakeholders such as the states, Rural Water, USDA, etc.

The Safe Drinking Water Branch merged with the Grants and Infrastructure Branch on November 2, 2014. I am now responsible for the activities in both branches.

Additional Grants activities are described below.

Detail to Headquarters Office of Groundwater and Drinking Water, January 2014 – March 2014

Chief, Grants and Infrastructure Branch, November 2008 – August 2011

EPA Region 4, Atlanta; Water Protection Division

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Program Management Officer, GS 15

Led a group of engineers, scientists, financial analysts and grants specialists responsible for administration and management of the Division's grant programs in the 8 Southeastern states. This included the continuing environmental program grants, Special Appropriation Grants and implementation of the State Revolving Loan Fund Program, including management of the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) funds. It also included special projects and Initiatives such as the Watersense Program and the Energy Management Initiative. Perform Personnel management functions such as reassignments, incentives and awards, disciplinary actions etc. Formulate short and long range plans and goals and establish internal policies and procedures. Consistently met or exceeded all performance goals including key performance measures and ensured that the Division's fiduciary responsibilities regarding FMFIA were met. Led the modification and implementation of the Division's State Review process. Participated and represented the Region on national workgroups and in National meetings providing input into National directives and decisions.

Acting Deputy Assistant Regional Administrator, November 2007 – February 2008

EPA Region 4, Atlanta; Water Protection Division

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Program Management Officer, GS 15

Served a 120 day detail as Acting Deputy Assistant Regional Administrator. Provided leadership to the Human Capital, Planning and other Branches. Frequently briefed the RA and DRA on issues related to IT, Human Resources management, Operations and Planning.

Special Assistant to the Director, August 2006 – November 2008

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Program Management Officer, GS 15

Served as Special Assistant to the Division Director. Responsible for the leadership and development of special projects, policies and procedures at the discretion of the Director. Participated on the Water Executive Team and served as advisor to the Director regarding complex Regional issues. Served as the Director's representative on the Environmental Justice Management Team.

Chief, Accountability Management Branch, May 2004 – August 2006

EPA Region 4, Atlanta; Office of Environmental Accountability (OEA)

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Supervisory Environmental Scientist GS-15

Led a group of engineers and scientists responsible for assisting the OEA Director and Associate Director in managing the Region 4 strategic enforcement and compliance assurance program in the Southeast. Included in this is engineering/scientific analysis of the strategic enforcement principles of ecosystem protection, place-based enforcement, whole-facility enforcement and multi-media enforcement. Tracked ACS commitments and other enforcement commitments. Served as the Enforcement Coordinator on national workgroups and ensured that enforcement goals were achieved across the Region. Participated and represented the Region on national workgroups and in National meetings.

June 2001 – 2004

Chief, Accountability Management Section and Regional Enforcement Coordinator, Office of Environmental Accountability, US. EPA Region 4

1999 – 2001

Lead Region Coordinator for Enforcement, Office of Environmental Accountability, US. EPA Region 4

1998 – 1999

Environmental Scientist, Performance Track Coordinator, Office of Environmental Accountability, US. EPA Region 4

1997 – 1998	Environmental Scientist, Pollution Prevention/SEP Coordinator, Office of Environmental Accountability, US. EPA Region 4
June 1995 – June 1997	Corporate Environmental Engineer, Southwire Company, Carrolton, GA Responsible for all environmental compliance for 7 Southwire facilities across the country.
1993 – 1995	Chief, Air Toxics Unit, Air Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, US EPA Region 4
1991 – 1993	Chief, Asbestos Unit, Air Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, US EPA Region 4
January 1990 – 1991	Air Compliance Inspector, US EPA Region 4
1987 – 1990	Environmental Engineer, Stone Container Corp, Jacksonville, FL Responsible for air and water environmental compliance and permitting issues at a large kraft pulp and paper mill

TRAINING:

Federal Executive Institute – Leadership for a Democratic Society, 2006
Federal Executive Institute – Leading Through Constructive Conflict, 2009
Justice Center of Atlanta, Inc., - Basic Mediation Skills with Clinical Practicum, 2012
Office of Groundwater and Drinking Water Detail – EPA HQ, 2014
Other EPA Management Training as Required

EDUCATION:

Jacksonville University, (b) [REDACTED]
B.S. in Medical Technology, Minor in Chemistry